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GOOD COMBINATION WINS GAME FOR AMERICANS

McGill Team Meets with First Reverse of Season in Boston on Saturday Night—Score Harvard 3, McGill 0

Before a large and enthusiastic crowd on Saturday night the McGill and Harvard teams clashed in their fourth contest in six years.

The game started off with a rush, and it soon became apparent that the Harvard team were in better condition than their opponents and would put up the argument of their lives. Harvard press McGill hard, and it is only the brilliant work of the McGill defence that prevented a score. Rankin rushes and passes to Smith who shoots, but his shot goes wild. Harvard makes a brilliant rush but Wilson steals the puck and after a clever piece of stick-handling shoots, Gardner, however, is on the spot and saves. Play now becomes a bit ragged and Scott is hurt in a collision, but pluckily continues.

The McGill forward line are not following back, and the defence have to cope unaided with the Crimson attack, but Rankin keeps up the good work he has shown in the past and his checking is masterly.

Wilson and Thompson get together in a beautiful rush but Willess intercepts the pass and the play is again transferred to the McGill end of the rink. Scott is showing the effects of his accident and seems unable to hold down his cover, who breaks away from him and shoots. McGill do not seem to be in condition and Harvard are setting a fast pace. Huntingdon shoots but Warwick saves and Smith carries the puck up the ice, but shoots wildly from some distance out. Willess rushes but is checked by Thompson who sends in a hot one from close in which Gardner stops. Pierce rushes, passes to Duncans who passes to Huntingdon, the latter driving in a hot one which gets past Warwick and the umpire raises his hand amid wild applause.

The first half ends with McGill pressing hard.

SECOND HALF.

After the interval McGill shows improved form and Smith, Wilson and Scott shoot in succession, but the Harvard goal tender is impregnable. Huntingdon makes a rush and passes to Pierce who shoots, but Warwick stops.

Rankin breaks away by brilliant stick-handling and eluding the Crimson defence shoots, but Gardner makes a brilliant stop and Clackall rushes. He is checked by Wilson who in turn is checked by Huntingdon. Pierce rushes and passes to Sortwall who drives a hot one past Warwick for Harvard's second goal. Harvard are pressing hard and the McGill team are slowing up. Rankin breaks away again and rushes, but is checked by Huntingdon, who evades Scott and Masson and scores Harvard's third goal.

Wilson and Thompson try hard to score but in vain and amid the wild and jubilant cheers of the Harvard supporters the game ends. The line-up of the teams was as follows:

McGill (0)	Harvard (3)
Warwick	Goal
Masson	Point
Rankin	C. Point
Thompson	Rover
	Huntingdon
	(Capt)

Wilson	Centre	Duncans
Scott	L. Wing	Sortwall
Hughes	R. Wing	Pierce

The following telegram commenting on the game was received yesterday afternoon by the Daily.

To McGill Daily

Montreal

Harvard superior in all departments except stick handling. Beautiful combination. Better condition. Gardner stops thirty, Warwick thirteen. Huntingdon best on ice. Wilson, Rankin, Thompson only McGill men up to form. Scott weak, hurt in collision. No following back. Smith ineffective. Harvard exultant. Many grads present.

(Signed) MURRAY.

SCHEME MOOTED FOR FACULTY RESIDENCE

Important Project Nearly Consummated—Will Meet Long-felt Want

At a meeting of the Academic Board on Wednesday last an important question came up for consideration—the provision of some kind of residence or Union for members of the Faculty.

There has long been a need for something of the sort at McGill. Hitherto professors whose homes are not in the City have had to live in boarding houses, often far removed from the precincts of the college. A Faculty Union would remedy this, and would at the same time be a great convenience for members of the Faculty who, having lectures both in the morning and the afternoon, would appreciate some place close to the University where they could have lunch.

Another advantage would be professors in all the various Departments would have a common meeting place and could become better acquainted with one another than is possible under present conditions.

The location suggested for the Faculty Union is the Gibb House, the large dwelling at the southwest corner of University and Milton Streets, behind the Engineering Building. The lease for this house expires in May, and it is possible that it will then be acquired by the University and made into a Faculty Union.

In any case a beginning will probably be made next session. Perhaps

PLANS FOR CAMPUS UNDER CONSIDERATION

Work Soon to be Started—Spaces Reserved Rink and Gymnasium

Several important meetings of the Campus Committee of Corporation have recently taken place. It is believed that the Committee had under consideration the important question of the layout of the new Campus north of Pine Avenue, on the ground recently donated by Sir William McDonald.

While nothing definite has as yet been decided, it is believed that the entrance to the ground will be at the north-east corner of University and Pine Avenue, facing the new Medical Building. The bleachers will probably be on the north side of the new Campus, the gentle slope down from Mount Royal at this point making it an ideal location for watching games.

A driveway will lead through the grounds at the side of the Campus, and sites will be mapped out for residences, a gymnasium, a hockey rink, etc. When the whole scheme is finally completed it will make one of the finest University locations on the Continent.

The work to be proceeded with during the coming summer will consist chiefly in pulling down the houses at

only a few rooms will be taken at first, and the operation of these will afford a fair index of the likelihood of success of the larger scheme.

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present on the property, and levelling the ground. It is doubtful if any constructive work will be undertaken till 1913.

**VALUABLE RESEARCHES
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**DR. FERGUSON WRITES EPOCH-
 MAKING BOOK ON ANCIENT
 GREECE.**

The MacMillan Company of New York have recently published the results of extreme researches, connected with the early history of Athens, carried on by Dr. W. S. Ferguson, Assistant Professor of Classical History at Harvard University. The work, under the title, "Hellenistic Athens," has been very favorably received in this country and in Europe, and it has been declared the most important and valuable contribution yet made to that particular field of knowledge.

Dr. Ferguson is a Canadian, and an alumnus of McGill. He graduated with honours in Classics in 1896. After graduate work at Harvard, and extensive researches in Greece, he spent some time on the staff of the University of California. Later he was called to his present chair at Harvard, where his research work is attracting wide attention from American and European Classical scholars.

The Employment Bureau of the Christian Association of the University of Pennsylvania has given out a report showing a total of \$9026.74 earned by students through the bureau and \$4633.96 earned independently.

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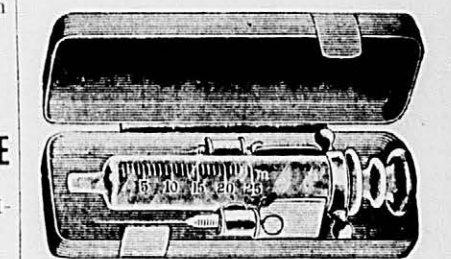
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CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of the McGill Daily.

Dear Sir: I have noticed comments both in your paper and in the public press which said that the Columbia Swimming Association had had definite arrangements for a Columbia-McGill meet and that Columbia cancelled at the last moment after seeing the good showing the McGill boys made against the New York Athletic Club. May I trouble you to get the case correct in the future.

Arrangements were never completed for the meet. Mr. McPhail, the McGill manager, and I had never come to any agreement about the financial side of the meet. As for the date, Mr. McPhail referred me to a Mr. L. de B. Gandley of 260 Washington Sq. in this city. Mr. Handley said that the New York Athletic Club and City A. C. were going to meet McGill on Tuesday and Wednesday of that week, and Yale on Friday. They wanted me to take the Thursday date. The first time Mr. Handley mentioned it, I said that that was impossible, first—because our Faculty refused to approve the meet during our examinations, second—because we have not the use of the pool on Thursday evenings, the Cornell meet Jan. 11 being a very exceptional dispensation. Our team wanted to rent a tank for that night, but the Faculty refused us permission to swim during exams.

ELBRIDGE COLBY,
Man. Columbia Swimming Team.

The Editor of the McGill Daily.

Dear Sir: For the second time McGill has been defeated by Harvard, and while the sting of defeat is still fresh, I would like to offer a suggestion.

Four times in the past six years the Crimson and the Red and White teams have clashed in friendly conflict and always on Harvard ice. On each occasion the McGill team has been fated and entertained by the Cambridge students and surely it is time that some effort was made to reciprocate in kind.

If it is at all feasible let us endeavour to bring the Harvard team to Montreal for a game, even if it should entail a certain sacrifice on the part of each individual student. Let us show them that even as we are doughty opponents on the ice, so also are we attentive and capable hosts.

I would suggest that this matter

be taken up and that enquiries be made as to the practicability of the scheme, and if it is at all possible, let it be carried out.

I think that it is now up to us to do all in our power to further and propagate the friendly relations which have been already so firmly established between Fair Harvard and Old McGill.

Hoping that something may be done in this matter, I remain,

Yours sincerely,
ENTHUSIAST.

He wore his college "frat" pin

**ROOTERS CLUB
TO REORGANIZE**

Will Support the Team When
Varsity Plays Here

The Rooters' Club is to be re-organized for the Varsity hockey match at the Arena, and practices will be held in Strathcona Hall during the week of February 12th.

A new song sheet will be published and anybody who can write parodies on popular songs is requested to do so and send them in to the Rooters' Club Committee as soon as possible. For our last song sheet we had a lot of good material to pick from and it is hoped that there will be more than ever this time.

Anybody who has any new stunts to propose for the Rooters is hereby requested to let us know about them soon.

We must beat Varsity to win the Championship, so it's up to YOU to help out in whatever way you can.

The winter football squad at Wisconsin has increased to thirty-seven candidates.

Ohio State University will buy the equipment of a private printing concern in Columbus, if plans now under consideration are carried into effect. Economy in printing all forms and bulletins is assured to the University by Carl Steeb, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, when the plant is moved to the campus.

The University of Wisconsin has abolished gymnasium work for the freshmen and substituted compulsory football. This new rule resulted in twenty men winning the right to wear the 'Varsity letter.

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WHY WE HOPE

We have become so accustomed of late to hearing that this is an exceptional year in the history of the University in general, and the undergraduates in particular, that many of us have become convinced of the fact without any very deep inquiry into its causes. We have been content to give the credit to "Billiken,"—unless we can arrogate some of it to ourselves. We say with great conviction "Yes, this certainly has been a lucky year—a princely gift from Sir William McDonald, one and a half million of dollars from our other friends, thirty-three thousand raised by the students, the inception of the McGill Daily, the winning of the football championship, the induction of a full grown Rooters' Club, the success of our Intercollegiate debaters, and the enthusiasm of the Mock Parliament, the unbroken record of our Hockey Team, and the cheerful outlook for our swimming and basketball teams. Surely Dame Fortune has smiled upon us! Surely you need go no further to find reason for the statement that this has indeed been an exceptional year!"

But many of these events though important in themselves are merely evidences of something more important. The events are comparatively transient, the awakening is permanent. It will be lasting partly because it has been gradual and is still progressive. It has taken time to arouse the many private and public consciences upon which the awakening of an active McGill consciousness depended, but once awakened it will require many stunning blows to dull or benumb it. The awakening has really consisted of the gradual arousing of individuals to the fuller opportunities of the University and the responsibilities which they entail. It consists in developing the spirit of loyalty and unselfishness.

The feeling of gratitude to the University which gives us so much more than we can ever repay, and a consequent keen interest in her welfare, that in fact which is best expressed by the two words "College spirit" has been growing stronger and more general. It is spreading whence it has never before existed and deepening where it had already been. Faculty and class spirit are being subordinated and a broader spirit of community is developing. Those who have worked for the advancement of the University are anxious to do more, and they are being joined by ever increasing co-workers. And, as the immediate needs are filled and the centre or undergraduate portion of the University are being trained in loyalty and love to their Alma Mater, the horizon is broadening and a "Greater McGill" is being drawn together. Alma Mater has become disinterested with the narrow confines of the Campus and now only limits her fireside by the home fires or camp fires of her sons.

While attempts at unifying the undergraduate body are being made, while we are discussing such matters as a regular graduate fee to aid in support of the University, the faculty are making more definite effort than ever to realize themselves and to impress on us that whether in studies or in other activities we are all working together for our own honour and THE HONOUR OF THE UNIVERSITY. No members of our faculty to take an organized interest in unclearer evidence of such a desire could be afforded than the move which is now being made among some of the younger undergraduate activities. They have come to us asking us for suggestions as to how they can keep in touch with undergraduate life and aid undergraduate activities; such is the recognition of the necessity of co-operation coupled with a desire to aid our common Alma Mater. When we consider the demands which press upon these men, and the fact that they are already busy in their special spheres, keeping McGill where she is and advancing her to where she ought to be, we realize what a motive power of 'college spirit' is passing from the potential to the kinetic state.

As for our graduates, we are continually being favoured with testimony of their keen interest. Wherever we find them they are beginning to recall more frequently the memories of their college days, and feel a greater interest in, and responsibility for, the University of their adoption. Every time the hockey team goes to Boston or New York its members bring back accounts of the enthusiasm of graduates there, enthusiasm sufficient to induce men of age and reputation to look up the "young fellows" just for the sake of 'old times,' and to chat about the life and problems of the University. Calls to re-unions have not only been answered, but the re-unions have brought forth many testimonies of devotion which had never before had the same opportunities have not been able to devote the necessary attention to portunity of expression. In the past the University authoritative organization schemes, but now that they have been somewhat relieved of financial difficulties, steps will surely be taken to form not only faculty organizations as in Science, but also a 'Pan University Organization' to take advantage of the feeling of McGill enthusiasm which now exists.

These disconnected thoughts will serve, we hope, to indicate that though our University and undergraduate activities have prospered splendidly this year they are more the outcome, than the cause, of our 'College Spirit.' If this be true we can look forward with a fearless optimism. We need not fear that the success of this year is merely a fortunate turn in the 'wheel of things.' Nor will we 'eat, drink and be merry,' because the morrow will be a bad day for digestion. We will be merry because the day is good and the morrow will be better. A fire of love for our Alma Mater has been set and it will never be put out. Let us then, with pride in our present and inspiring confidence in our future, make this fire grow brighter and ever brighter with the plentiful offerings of our devotion.

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL**

Capable Committee Recommend Radical Alterations
—Full Details

New York, Feb. 3.—The football rules committee which has been working in secret here for two days upon innumerable suggestions for altering the game, came to a unanimous decision late today in favor of several fundamental changes.

The lines of its anticipated improvement are in substance as follows:

1. The playing field, now 110 yards in length, will be shortened to an even 100 yards.
2. An area of ten yards width beyond the goal lines is set apart and in this the attacking team will be allowed to use the forward pass.
3. The number of "downs" to gain ten yards is increased by one.
4. The on-side kick is entirely eliminated.
5. The value of a touchdown is increased from five points to six points, the goal from touchdown and other scores standing as at present.
6. The twenty yards zone in which the present rules now provide restrictions will apply now to any part of the field.
7. In case of a touch-back the ball will be put in play from the twenty yard line instead of the twenty-five yard line.
8. On a kick-off the ball, instead of being put in play in the centre of the field will be put in play from the forty-yard-line of the team kicking off.

9. The field judge is eliminated. The head linesman will hereafter keep time and be judge of off-side plays in the line of scrimmage.

10. The number of men allowed on the side lines, now three, will be reduced to one for each team.

11. A provision will be made to the effect that a bounding ball cannot score a legitimate goal. (Note—Princeton won a game on ball bounding over bar after drop kick was short.)

12. The resting interval between the first and second and the third and fourth periods is reduced from two minutes to one minute.

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The piano and violin recital given by Mr. F. H. Blair and Mr. Saul Brant in the Conservatorium Hall on Saturday afternoon was very successful and a large audience was present. The numbers on the programme were of contrasting styles, most exacting, and required great technique. The manner in which they were interpreted shows how completely Mr. Brant and Mr. Blair have control over their instruments.

PROGRAMME.

Sonata G MinorTartini.
Allegro Moderato — Presto non troppo — Largo — Allegro comodo.
Sonata No. 10 B flatMozart
Allegro moderato — Andantino sostenuto e cantabile — Rondo (Allegro)
Sonatine op. 100Dvorak
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Old Eli Records High Moral Tone—Church Members are Decreasing—Thirty-nine Seniors Engaged to be Married

Recent years have witnessed much discussion on the standard of morality existing in universities. Statistics have been gathered to ascertain the rights and wrongs of this controversy. It is now the custom at most of the large institutions in the United States to gather statistics of one or more classes every session. This year Yale analyzed the Senior class. The results appear in the following article which we reprint from the "News." Keep these results and compare them with similar McGill statistics which are now being compiled.

The average age of the Seniors is twenty-two years, nine months and twenty-one days. The average height is five feet, eight and one-half inches. One hundred and fifty-one pounds is the average weight.

The average yearly expenditures for the Senior class during the College course is as follows:—Freshman, \$1,026; Sophomore, \$1,141; Junior, \$1,136; Senior, \$1,169. As compared with last year's ballot, the cost has increased \$82. Four dollars increase in Freshman year, \$56 in Sophomore, and \$11 in Junior and Senior years.

The number wearing glasses is 97 those wearing glasses before entering college 97.

The number of men using tobacco is 180, 97 abstain from it. As compared with previous years the number is increased. One hundred and seventy-three men used tobacco and 111 abstained from it, according to last year's ballot. While the number of men using intoxicants has decreased, 157 voted themselves users and 120 total abstainers, against 158 confessors and 123 abstainers in last year's vote.

Two hundred and twenty-five men have at some time during their course boarded at Commons while only 52 have not.

A very great majority of the class are church members, 196 are members and seventy-five are not. This shows a decrease from last year's vote, when 226 voted themselves class members. The Episcopalians led with 66, Congregationalists 54, Presbyterians 39, Roman Catholics 21, Jews 17, Methodists 12, Baptists 8,

or economic geography, or literature. He is examining his pupils on details which, to be sure, go to make up these various sciences and arts, but which do not necessarily test a man's knowledge and appreciation of the subject. So long as details will be required in examinations so long students will cram in order to master these details.

It is useless criticizing cramming as long as these conditions prevail. Facts will escape from the minds of the best students. If examinations could be conducted in such a manner as to eliminate details, then cramming could be dispensed with, but at present there seems to be little hope for its abolition—Exchange.

MARK TWAIN ONCE MORE.

Mark Twain and some friends once set out from a country hotel to walk to a scenic point of great interest which the landlord had told them was some twenty minutes walk away.

After walking for some time they met a pedestrian and on enquiring he told them that it would take them twenty minutes more. They started off again and after walking along the dusty road in the hot sun for about half an hour Mark Twain sat down under a tree to rest.

Just then a country man passed and one of the party asked him how far it was to the place in question. He replied "Just twenty minutes walk." "Thank heaven," said Mark Twain, "Thank Heaven, we're holding our own."

The University of Minnesota football men have filed a remonstrance against another game with Wisconsin.

MR. J. W. EWART WILL ADDRESS CANADIAN CLUB

Important Meeting To-night in the Union—All Should be Present

Mr. J. S. Ewart, K.C. will address the McGill Canadian Club at five o'clock tonight, in the Union. His subject will be "Two Difficulties in the Way of Independence." Mr. Ewart is a speaker of wide reputation, whose views on matters connected with the destiny of Canada are well known, and whose speech on this occasion it would be folly to miss.

After Mr. Ewart's address will be held the election of officers of the Canadian Club for the coming year. It is therefore very important that all members should make a point of being present.

LIBERALS CARRY COMPANIES' BILL IN MCGILL HOUSE

The Mock Parliament met on Saturday night to discuss the Liberal Government's Companies Bill. There was not a large attendance of members, lack of sufficient advertisement of the meeting and counter attractions being the reasons.

There was some difficulty at first about obtaining a Speaker. Several prominent graduates had been previously been approached and had expressed their willingness to act, but all of them, unfortunately, had important engagements on Saturday. Mr. Plimsoll was then nominated and elected unanimously. He, seeing that there were not more than thirty members present, adjourned the House.

The House, however, didn't seem to want to adjourn. Mr. Norman Murray was observed sitting in the audience, and upon being approached consented to take the Chair, which he proceeded to do amid loud cheers from the students present. The old gentleman thanked the House for the honour done to him, and in a few sentences enlarged upon the usefulness of such institutions as the Mock Parliament.

There being no questions to Ministers, motions, or other business, the House proceeded to the Debate on the second reading of the Companies' Bill.

Hon. Mr. McCrimmon, Minister of Finance, introduced the Bill for the Government. He explained its provisions. A Commission was to be appointed consisting of three members with control over the issue of stock by all companies incorporated under a Dominion Charter. While not absolutely prohibiting stock-watering this commission would stop unjustifiable inflation and would see to it that the interests of the public were safeguarded.

Mr. Donald Bell, speaking for the Opposition, said that it was all very well for the Liberals to lament over the stock-watering that had already taken place. It had been done when the Liberals were in power and they had never tried to stop it when it was going on.

Hon. Mr. Fisher, Minister of Public Works, gave several striking cases of companies which had unjustifiably increased their capital, particularly when a merger was taking place. The Canada Cement Corporation—that triumph of Sir Max Aitken's rather questionable financing—and the Canadian Pacific Lumber Company, were flagrant instances. In both cases over two-thirds of the stock issued was water. This meant that true profits were concealed. A company might show only 5 p. c. profit on its nominal capital, and yet be really making 25 p. c. on the capital actually paid up. This hit the employees when they asked for higher wages, and the public when they demanded lower prices or a reduction of the tariff.

Hon. Hugh Griffith, Minister of Agriculture, instanced the Railway Commission as an example of successful government regulation similar to that proposed for Companies.

Mr. McNaughton, leader of the Opposition, stated that his party was

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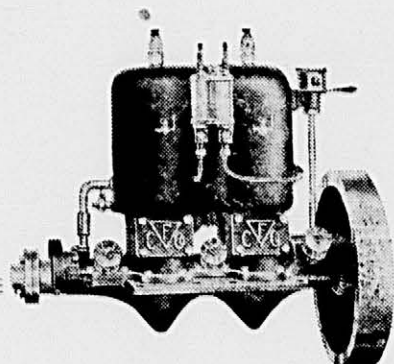
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The University of Chicago's athletic department has a surplus of \$14,000 from the football games.

The Chairman of the Board of Control of the University of Minnesota has been instructed to enter into a two year football contract with some eastern college Dartmouth is the likely candidate.

While Indiana was holding its soccer season in the middle west, California on the athletic seaboard also were enjoying the English game. The sport is gaining in popularity each year.

CRAMMING DEPRECATED

Cramming is one of the necessary evils accompanying or rather resulting from a system of education which requires the pupils to pass examinations at regular intervals on details. It seems as though the examination is a fixed institution in this country, at least, there are no very promising signs for its abolition. What is the result of a system of examination? It is just this. The pupil has gone over a certain number of pages in his text book and his instructor examines him on those pages. If it is chemistry, he is not examined in chemistry. No, how can he be? It takes years to get a knowledge of chemistry. Necessarily then, your pupil is examined on the number of pages in his text book he has covered. These pages embody certain facts, theoretically and otherwise. To master these facts the student must cram before examinations. Remember he has not had a sufficiently long experience in this study to enable him to write from knowledge slowly absorbed. He is forced to cram and he does.

Cramming can be justified under the present system of examinations. The examiner is not so interested in the pupils knowledge of the subject as pertaining to his influence on him and his reaction, because of that knowledge, to the world about him, but rather, the instructor is interested in the subject as a subject per se. The instructor is justified in doing so, but cramming is then unavoidable.

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GRADUATE OF COLUMBIA

PRAISES GAME OF HANDBALL

Explains How Game Should be Played and Advocates Building of Regulation Courts

The following communication was received yesterday from an old grad, a member of the track team back in the early nineties, which throws an interesting light upon the game of handball. He points out that the game really isn't played at all in the United States and explains how it is played in other countries. When played on a large court, the game is supposed to develop its adherents admirably and Dr. Byrne, who writes the letter, spoke strongly in an interview yesterday of the advantages which oarsmen would gain from playing handball.

Dear Sir:—I write in the interest of handball which, in one form or another, is played all over the world.

In France, Spain, Cuba, Mexico, Argentine, and in fact in Latin and Latin-American countries generally, it is played side by side with the wonderful game, pelota. This latter, evolved from the parent game of handball by a few slight alterations in the court and ball and by the adoption of the cesta or chistera, has been so developed that it commands as much attention in those countries as baseball does in the United States.

In Great Britain and Ireland handball is played extensively. Under the name of "fives" the game is especially popular in the public schools of England. At Eton there are between forty and fifty open-air courts, some of them being roofed in glass. At Harrow there are about twenty

courts and several new ones are in process of construction.

The ball used at Eton, Harrow, Winchester, and the other schools, is the regulation hard ball made somewhat after the manner of a baseball. It is identical in size, shape, covering and weight with the regulation ball used by professional handball players in the United States and Ireland. There is, however, one important difference.

Professionals and amateur experts long ago discovered that in the matter of hurting the hands the kind of material used and the manner of making the ball were matters of vital importance. Thus they found it possible to have balls so constructed as to practically eliminate the possibility of hurting the hands. In the English schools, however, the old time ball, which is literally as hard as a stone, is still used. Having played with these balls on the Eton and Harrow courts the writer was not at all surprised to find that the students wear gloves to protect the hands. With a properly constructed ball, however, gloves are not only unnecessary for the player who has learned the proper method of striking, but are sedulously avoided by him since they hamper his control.

Handball as played in the schools and colleges of the United States is much inferior to the regular game. The use of the rubber ball and the size and construction of the courts are responsible for this inferiority. Vigorous hitting and "long play" are not only not encouraged, but are penalized by the narrow bounds, so that the novice never takes the time or trouble to cultivate the powerful underarm stroke which is possible only where there is harmonious action of the various systems of levers employed, beginning with the feet, which must be firmly and accurately planted, as the main fulcrum, and ending with the wrist and even the finger-tips which give the finishing touches to the delivery.

In the construction of handball courts in general and even of those at Eton and Harrow, one important consideration has been overlooked. No adequate provision has been made for spectators. This oversight has been corrected in pelota courts with the result that this game at once became one of the most popular of modern games. If handball courts of the proper dimensions, say 65 by 21 3/4 feet, were constructed with two end walls and only one side wall, after the manner of Spanish pelota courts, it would be possible to erect a large stand for spectators. Such courts could be roofed in so as to be available for play during the winter months. In erecting a gymnasium similar courts could be provided for with the greatest economy of expenditure and space.

Handball, as played with the regulation ball, is an athletic game of the first order, the finished player exhibiting uniformity of development, endurance, accuracy of execution and grace in poise and movement. Contrast with these the salient features of the soft ball game as usually played in small courts, the striker standing with feet spread widely apart, either glued to the ground or off his balance, as with tremendous effort, sadly disproportioned to the results, he awkwardly strikes at a ball beyond his reach and control. Such exhibitions of ungainliness and ineffectiveness are an eye-sore to lovers of the real game and in fact to discriminating admirers of any athletic game.

The writer, who has had the honour of carrying Columbia's colours on one or two occasions, heartily wishes that the Athletic Committee would take this matter under consideration and, if possible, have one or two suitable handball courts erected in South Field where exhibition games could be played at regular intervals to the delight of players and spectators. Handball is a game worthy of the consideration of everyone interested in athletics whether from the standpoint of sport or from the still more important standpoint of the health and efficiency of the race.

Very truly yours,
Joseph Byrne, P. & S. '95

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MCGILL SONG BOOK WILL BE COMPILED

For some years past there has been an agitation among the students to get out a new McGill Song Book.

This year the Students' Council has discussed the matter and has appointed a committee to compile a song book of which all McGill men will feel proud.

This committee met on Saturday last and outlined a scheme for compiling this book as soon as possible.

Notices have been sent out to those who are particularly interested, asking them for suggestions, and we hope that these will bring many replies.

This book is not to be only a McGill Song Book, but one which will contain songs that can be sung by everybody.

In order to make this song book a success, the co-operation of all the student bodies is necessary, so that if all the students will consider the matter, and send their suggestions to the committee promptly, it will greatly facilitate the work of the committee.

If there is any song you think should be in this book, please send us the name and particulars and we will look it up.

We also want some good new McGill songs, and with a view of obtaining these are going to open a competition for the best McGill song, particulars of which will be published later this week.

Suggestions will be received by any member of the committee, which is as follows:

Graduates — W. Steedman, B.A.; G. Cousins, B.A., B.C.L.
Undergraduates — T. H. Lennie, Med. '14; J. A. Smith, Med. '13; H. Rogers, Sci. '13; J. D. Armstrong, Sci. '12.

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INTERESTING LECTURE AT MEDICAL MEETING

CHEMISTRY OF ANAESTHETICS.

On Friday evening Dr. Baskerville gave a most interesting and instructive address at the regular meeting of the Medical Society.

Prof. Baskerville dealt with the four anaesthetics, nitrous oxide, ether, chloroform and oxygen.

In discussion of nitrous oxide the lecture dealt with the methods of preparation, and the impurities present in the gas. The point made in this connection was, that many impurities are present which may have no deleterious effect but the important thing is to know that they are present. With regard to ether Dr. Baskerville mentioned that the presence of alcohol is allowed in some countries, as in United States four per cent. To this cause may often be ascribed the introduction of further impurities to the fairly pure ether. The reason for introducing alcohol is that it prevents the freezing of the moisture in the patient's breath. The use of ether may cause a body temperature drop of four degrees Fahrenheit.

If the ether vapour be warmed to the temperature of the body, it suffers a drop of only three-tenths of a degree. Oxidation of the alcohol and ether forms aldehydes to which may probably be ascribed post-anaesthetic nausea.

The lecturer advocated the packing of anaesthetic in small containers, a fresh one to be opened up for each operation and the remainder thrown away.

Under chloroform it was mentioned that the specially pure chloroform preparations from the continent are essentially the same as any other for anaesthetic purposes. Absolute alcohol has been shown to be essential to the preservation of chloroform, as until all the alcohol present has been attacked by oxidation the ether is unaffected. Alcohol is not a preservative of ether, it is used to lessen the freezing effect of the ether on moisture.

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It is at all events excessively important that dry anaesthetics should not be given.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YEAR MEETING—1915.

The meeting of the Freshman class will be held this afternoon (Feb. 5th) at 5.15, in Strathcona Hall—Important business—All up '15.

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There will be an important meeting of the Electric Club on Tuesday, February 5th. Dr. McTaggart of the Medical Faculty will speak on the subject "Resuscitation from Electric Shock." This subject is one of great importance, and will doubtless prove most interesting and instructive.

Following Dr. McTaggart, Mr. E. G. Burr of the Faculty of Applied Science will read a paper on "Electrical Illumination." The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. in the Engineering Building, and the interesting nature of the programme should warrant a large attendance of members.

Forty different nations will be represented at the 1912 Olympic games in Stockholm.

The Seniors and Sophomores at Brown University combine to give a mid-year dance. Other classes are allowed to attend.

The thirty-fifth college daily in America was born January 16 at Kansas and has been named the University Daily Kansan. It is backed by the department of journalism with its new \$20,000 printing laboratory.



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